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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:  
Degenkamp

Serial No.: 09/367,761

Filed: August 19, 1999

For: ANCHOR AND METHOD OF  
UNCOUPLING FOR SUCH ANCHOR

Group Art Unit: 3617

Examiner: BASINGER, S.

Atty. Dkt. No.: 2019.000500/TDM

**REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO RESPOND TO  
OFFICE ACTION DATED SEPTEMBER 5, 2000**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), Applicant petitions for an extension of time of two months. Please note a one-month extension of time was previously filed back on January 5, 2001. Therefore, Applicant hereby petitions a two-month extension to and including March 5, 2001 in which to respond to the Office Action dated September 5, 2001.

Should any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 be required for any reason relating to the enclosed materials, or should an overpayment be included herein, the Assistant Commissioner is authorized to deduct or credit said fees from or to Williams, Morgan & Amerson, P.C. Deposit Account No. 50-0786/2019.000500/TDM.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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Date: March 5, 2001